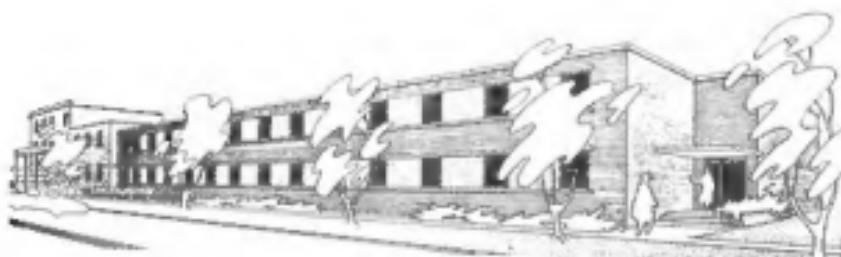


DEDICATION

Betel Old Folks Home

(NEW ADDITION)

Gimli, Manitoba



Sunday, June 2nd, 1957 - 2.30 p.m.

Conducted by
The Rev. S. OLAFSSON, President
Board of Trustees - Betel Old Folks Home

Audited by the Gimli Lutheran Church Choir

Mrs. CLIFFORD STEVENS

Organist and Choir Director

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude

Mrs. Clifford Stevens, Organist

Opening Hymn:

Open now thy gates of beauty,
Zion, let me enter there,
Where my soul in joyful duty
Waits for Him Who answers prayer.
O how blessed is this place,
Filled with solace, light and grace.

Gracious God, I come before Thee
Come Thou also down to me;
Where we find Thee and above Thee,
There a heaven on earth shall be.
To my heart O enter Thou,
Let it be Thy temple now.

Here, Thy praise is gladly chanted,
Here Thy seed is duly sown;
Let my soul where it is planted,
Bring forth precious sheaves alone.
So that all I hear may be
Fruitful unto life in me.

Thou my faith increase and quicken,
Let me keep Thy gift divine;
Howe'er temptation thickens,
May Thy Word still o'er me shine,
As my pole star through my life,
As my comfort in my strife.

Speak O God, and I will hear Thee,
Let Thy will be done indeed;
May I undisturbed draw near Thee
While Thou dost Thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows,
Here is balm for all our woes.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.
Our help is in the Name of the Lord. Response: Who made heaven and earth.

These shall be read responsively:

The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof: the world and they that dwell therein. For He hath founded it upon the seas: and established it upon the floods. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord: or who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation. This is the generation of them that seek Him: that seek thy face, O Jacob. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors: and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, even lift them up, ye everlasting doors: And the King of Glory shall come in. Who is this King of Glory: The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Then shall the Keys of the building be given the President of Synod, who shall say: Peace be to this house. Response: And to all that dwell therein.

The President of Synod shall then lead the audience in the following responsive reading:

I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand within thy gates: O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded: as a city that is compact together. Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord: unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord. For there are set thrones of judgment: the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls: and prosperity within thy palaces. For my brethren and companions' sakes: I will now say, Peace be unto thee. Because of the house of the Lord our God: I will seek thy good.

Then shall be sung the hymn:

Love divine, all love excelling,
Joy of heavens to earth come down!
Fit to us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion
Pure unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving spirit
Into every troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find Thy promised rest
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be,
End of faith as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy life receive;
Graciously return and never,
Never more Thy temples leave
Thee we would be always blessing
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Fray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy precious love.

Finish then Thy new creation
Pur and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored is Thee!
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder love and praise.

The First Lesson: Mat. 25:34-45 The Rev. John Fallmer, Pastor, Gethsemane Parish

The Second Lesson: I. Cor. 13:1-13 The Rev. Eric Sigmar, Secretary of Synod

Vocal Solo: "Bless This House" The Rev. Eric Sigmar

Sermon: "THE MOTIVATING POWER" The Rev. V. J. Eylands, D.D.
President of Synod

THE ACT OF DEDICATION

Closing Prayers

The Closing Hymn:

Nú gjakki Guði þókk
honu gjörvöll barna hjörðin
um dýr og hárta hans
ber himta vott og jörðin,
Frá asku vorri var
oss vernd og skjöl hans nild,
og allt vor batti ból
hans blesað líkamarsk,

Vor Guð, sem gjurvalt á,
oss gefi sungræn mórrum
í hjörðum æðstana austi
af andana grðsins rómnum;
Í ráð og skit við sig
oss seka takl haen
og leifi loks til sin
í ljós or dýrfar rann.

Guð fáði, þókk sé þér
og þínun dýrsta syni
og æðstum anda skyrð
af englin og manna kyni.
Þitt vald sem var og er
og verður alla tíð,
sé hefimis hást um jörð
ng hinum ár og síð.

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